



## Illinois Department of Transportation

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September 13, 1999

### STUDIES & PLANS - PHASE I

FAP Route 315 (IL 336) & FAP Route 310 (U.S. 67)

Macomb Area Study

McDonough County

Job No. P-94-152-91

Catalog No. 031483-00P

Mr. John N. Corson  
13320 E. 900th St.  
Macomb, IL 61455

Dear Mr. Corson:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments is included with this response. In your comments you mentioned concerns regarding the impact of the proposed bypass on your sheep farm. As you indicated, the proposed bypass presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School showed the bypass as bisecting your property. Property severances, the impact on property use, agricultural impacts, access, along with environmental and engineering impacts are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

Based on input from you and several Western Illinois University faculty members, the Department is studying in detail an alignment shift of approximately 500 feet to the west. This western alignment alternate attempts to minimize impacts to your operation and preserves most of your sheep pasture. A western shift of the alignment completely off of your property is not desirable due to the location of Spring Creek and heavily wooded areas to the west.

You also expressed concern regarding the close proximity of the bypass to your house and buildings and related devaluation of your property. In addition to moving the bypass approximately 500 feet to the west, the Department is studying lowering the proposed bypass profile in this area. A lower bypass profile places the alignment in a "cut" section, which attempts to minimize visual and noise impacts for your residence and residents of Stradford West. A detailed noise study is currently underway.

The Department will present the recommended alignment, profile, and associated impacts at a public hearing tentatively scheduled in 2000. The public hearing will be used by the Department to receive further public input on the refined alignment location.

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The Department is continuing an analysis of environmental impacts of the proposed bypass and is requesting your permission to allow three Department employees to inspect and photograph the native species of plants and trees on your property in the vicinity of the shifted western alignment alternate. The employees would like to enter your property on Thursday, September 30, weather permitting. A representative from the Department will be contacting you in the next two weeks regarding permission to enter your property.

Thank you for your interest in the Macomb Bypass Study and your further cooperation. If you have further comments or questions, please contact Paul Heeg at (309)671-3462 or Tom Lacy at (309)671-3453.

Very truly yours,

Mike Rippel  
Acting District Engineer

By: Roger Rocke  
Acting Program Development Engineer

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cc: Project File (P. Heeg)  
T. Lacy  
Parsons Brinckerhoff (Attn: Mark Henderson)

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We want your comments on the proposed Macomb Bypass. We encourage you to make your views a part of the official record. Written comments received within 10 days of this meeting will be included in the official record and will receive equal consideration along with the statements received at this meeting.

My comments are:

REQUEST YOU RECONSIDER YOUR CHOSEN PREFERRED ROUTE NW-3 AND SELECT NW-2 AS THE PREFERRED ROUTE. IF YOU TAKE THE TIME AND LOOK AT THESE TWO ROUTES, YOU WILL SEE ROUTE NW2 WILL NOT AFFECT ANY PRIVATE RESIDENCE, AND WILL ONLY CONSUME SOME ROUGH FARM GROUND THATS HELD IN TRUST FOR OWNERS LIVING OUT OF STATE. ROUTE NW3 WILL DIRECTLY AFFECT MY PROPERTY CAUSING THE VALUE TO FALL. THIS ALONG WITH THE TRAFFIC NOISE WILL CREATE A VERY POOR LIVING ENVIRONMENT. PLEASE RECONSIDER THESE TWO SHORT STRIPS OF PROPOSED HIGHWAY. ROUTE NW3 WILL SERIOUSLY AFFECT THREE PRIVATE RESIDENCE, WHEREAS. ROUTE NW2 WILL AFFECT NONE

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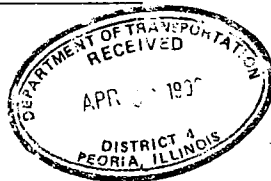
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Mr. Richard K. Clark  
1810 Emory Rd.  
Macomb, IL 61455

Dear Mr. Clark:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments are included with this response. As you indicated, the proposed bypass presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School showed NW-3 as the preferred alignment. In your comments you mentioned concerns regarding the impact of the preferred NW-3 on your property. Property severances, the impact on property use, agricultural impacts, access, along with environmental and engineering impacts are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

Based on further detailed study by the Department and input from you and several others, the Department is considering dropping NW-3 and selecting NW-2 as the preferred alignment

You also expressed concern regarding the close proximity of the bypass to your house and buildings and related devaluation of your property. The Department is studying lowering portions of the proposed bypass profile. A lower bypass profile places the alignment in a "cut" section, which attempts to minimize visual and noise impacts for residents along 900E and 950E. A detailed noise study is currently underway.

The Department will present the recommended alignment, profile, and associated impacts at a public hearing tentatively scheduled in 2000. The public hearing will be used by the Department to receive further public input on the refined alignment location.

Mr. Clark  
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Thank you for your interest in the Macomb Bypass. If you have further comments or questions, please contact Paul Heeg at (309)671-3462.

Very truly yours,

Mike Rippel  
Acting District Engineer

*Roger E. Rocke*

By: Roger Rocke  
Acting Program Development Engineer

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Parsons Brinckerhoff (Attn: Mark Henderson)

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**My comments are:**

My family and I live at 530 Flint Rd located in the SE 1/4 of Sec 28 of Emmet Twp. For several years Russell Thorell has operated an unlicensed dump in the SE 1/4 of Sec 28 of Emmet Twp. A neighbor of ours, Bill Buchholz, informed me that soil from a contaminated site at a local Macomb factory where Bill had worked was buried at the Thorell dump. Mr Buchholz was concerned, as are we, about the potential for ground water contamination caused by this soil and other unknowns that have been buried at this site.

Since the bypass corridor goes directly through this site, we are grateful that the hazardous waste assessment that will be performed ~~we~~ will identify any potential toxic wastes that could pose a threat to my family's well water. We hope nothing is found.

**Please print:**

Name Tim  
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Mr. Tim Howe

P.O. Box 79

Macomb, IL 61455

Dear Mr. Howe:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments is included with this response. In your comments you expressed concern about possible hazardous waste contamination within the project study area. The Department has recently initiated a hazardous waste survey for the proposed bypass corridor in the northwest and northeast quadrants around Macomb. As you indicated, the proposed bypass presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School showed the bypass crossing the two Thorell parcels. Property severances, impacts to property, agricultural impacts, access, and environmental impacts, including a hazardous waste analysis, are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

The Department will present the recommended alignment, profile, and associated impacts at a public hearing tentatively scheduled in 2000. The final results of the hazardous waste survey will be available at this time. The public hearing will be used by the Department to receive further public input on the refined alignment location.

Thank you for your interest in the Macomb Bypass Study and your assistance in determining hazardous waste contamination in the area. If you have further comments or questions, please contact Paul Heeg at (309)671-3462 or Tom Lacy at (309)671-3453.

Very truly yours,

Joseph E. Crowe  
District Engineer

*Roger E. Rocke*

By: Roger Rocke  
Acting Program Development Engineer

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Parsons Brinckerhoff (Attn: Mark Henderson)  
T. Lacy



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Written comments received within 10 days of this meeting will be included in the official record and will receive equal consideration along with the statements received at this meeting.

My comments are:

PLEASE SEND NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF  
ALL GOV'T AGENCIES AND VARIOUS GROUPS  
THAT WILL BE STUDYING THE RESULTS OF  
YOUR EFFECTS ON THE BIRD IMPACT AREAS,  
WILDLIFE AREAS, AND WATERWAY AREAS. WE  
INTEND TO BATTLE YOU ALL THE WAY ON  
GOING THRU OUR PROPERTY SO ANY OTHER  
PEOPLE OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT YOU FEEL  
MAY ASSIST US PLEASE FEEL FREE TO  
SEND THEM ALSO

PLEASE SEND ENLARGED PHOTO COPY OF  
WHERE THE HIGHWAY PASSES THRU OUR  
FARMS. THANKS!

Please print:

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City/State/Zip

Phone No.

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Rob and Teri Nelson

8521 N. 1250th Rd.

Colchester, IL 62326

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Nelson:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments is included with this response. As you indicated, the proposed bypass presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School showed the bypass as impacting your property. Property severances, the impact on property use, agricultural impacts, access, along with environmental and engineering impacts are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

Based on input from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting, the Department is studying in detail a western alignment shift of up to 400 feet in the vicinity of your property. One of the reasons for studying a western alignment alternate is to minimize impacts to several habitats for endangered and threatened birds. A western shift of the alignment even further west is not desirable due to the residential and heavily wooded areas to the west.

The Department will present the recommended alignment, profile, and associated impacts at a public hearing tentatively scheduled in 2000. The public hearing will be used by the Department to receive further public input on the refined alignment location. As you requested in your comments, a black and white copy of the exhibits presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting is included with this letter. The names and addresses of government agencies and organizations, in which the environmental reports will be made available, are also included with this letter as per your request.

Mr. Rob & Teri Nelson

September 22, 1999

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Thank you for your interest in the Macomb Bypass. If you have further comments or questions, please contact Paul Heeg at (309)671-3462.

Very truly yours,

Joseph E. Crowe

District Engineer

By: Roger Locke

Acting Program Development Engineer

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cc: Project File (P. Heeg)

Parsons Brinckerhoff (Attn: Mark Henderson)

T. Lacy

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**Federal Agencies**

Transportation & Water Resources  
U.S. Department of Interior  
Office of Environmental Policy & Compliance  
1849 C. Street N.W., MS 2340  
Washington, DC 20240

U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
1902 Fox Drive  
Champaign, IL 61820

Community Planning and Development  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban  
Development  
Chicago Office, Region V  
77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60604

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
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Room 7089  
Washington, DC 20590

Federal Highway Administration  
Illinois Division  
3250 Executive Park Drive  
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U.S. Department of the Interior  
Fish & Wildlife Service  
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**State Agencies**

Illinois Department of Transportation  
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Great Lakes Region  
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Des Plaines, IL 60018

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Center for Disease Control  
Atlanta, GA 30333

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Only if Navigable waters are involved

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Illinois Historic Preservation Agency  
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Springfield, IL 62701

Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources  
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State Water Survey  
2204 Griffith Dr.  
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Illinois Department of Natural Resources  
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Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources  
Office of Mines & Minerals  
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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
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Real Estate Management Department  
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Illinois Department of Agriculture  
Division of Natural Resources  
Bureau of Farmland Protection  
Illinois State Fairgrounds  
Springfield, IL 62706

Department of Public Health  
535 W. Jefferson  
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Springfield, IL 62761

Illinois Archaeological Survey  
Resource Investigation Program  
University of Illinois  
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Illinois State Geological Survey  
2204 Griffith Dr.  
Champaign, IL 61820-6964

Illinois State Clearinghouse  
Lincoln Tower Plaza  
524 South Second Street  
Springfield, IL 62706

Illinois Farm Bureau  
1701 Towanda Avenue  
Bloomington, IL 61701

Others

Mayor of Macomb, McDonough County  
Engineer, McDonough County Board



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statements received at this meeting.

My comments are:

① CHOOSE NW-2 DUE TO FEWER ACRES OF  
HABITAT FRAGMENTATION

② CONSTRUCT THE HIGHWAY IN SUCH A  
WAY AS TO MINIMIZE WILDLIFE, HYDROLOGICAL  
AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. THIS  
SHOULD INCLUDE WILDLIFE UNDERPASSES  
AND USE OF NATIVE PLANTS AND CONSTRUCTION  
THAT MAINTAINS EXISTING HYDROLOGY

*Alice Henry*  
*Bob Henry*

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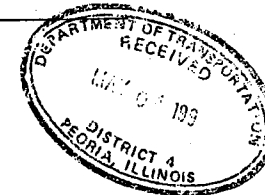
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Bob and Alice Henry  
24 Grandview Drive  
Macomb, IL 61455

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Henry:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments is included with this response. In your comments you stated your preference for NW-2 and an environmentally-friendly freeway. The impacts on the environment, including hydrology and drainage issues, along with agricultural impacts, access, and impacts to property are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

Based on input from you and others since the April 28 meeting, the Department is studying in detail dropping NW-3 and selecting NW-2 as the preferred alignment. The Department is also studying a westward alignment shift of up to 500 feet from north of the river to CH 14. This western alignment alternate attempts to minimize impacts to bird habitats and wetlands north of the river. The western alignment is located on the west side of the bird habitats as opposed to the alignment which bisected the bird habitat, as was presented at the April 28 meeting. Locating the alignment further west is not desirable due to the location of Spring Creek, residential areas, and heavily wooded areas to the west.

In addition to studying moving the bypass up to 500 feet to the west, the Department is studying lowering the proposed bypass profile north of Adams St.. A lower bypass profile places the alignment in a "cut" section, which attempts to minimize visual and noise impacts for the residents of Stratford West and others along 900E. A detailed noise study is currently underway.

In your comments you recommended the use of native plants on state right-of-way. One of the Department's landscape architects is currently studying the native plants and trees within the project limits and will be working on a plan for tree replacement and native plantings. Where possible, the Department is studying extending existing wooded areas, such as the area north of CH 14, to expand the natural habitat of impacted wildlife. If you would like to provide input on this subject, please write or contact Paula Green, District Environmental Coordinator, at (309)671-3478.

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CHICAGO, IL

Mr. Bob & Alice Henry  
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In addition to your preference for native plantings, you recommended the use of wildlife underpasses. The proposed structure over the east fork of the LaMoine River in the northwest quadrant will provide an area for wildlife to pass underneath undisturbed by traffic. Numerous culverts in the northwest quadrant will also provide passages for wildlife to use.

In the vicinity of CH 14 the bypass profile is proposed to be elevated as it crosses CH 14. Placing the bypass over CH 14 is another attempt to minimize the disturbance to wildlife.

The Department will present the recommended alignment, profile, and associated impacts at a public hearing tentatively scheduled in 2000. The public hearing will be used by the Department to receive further public input on the refined alignment location.

Thank you for your interest in the Macomb Bypass. If you have further comments or questions, please contact Paul Heeg at (309)671-3462 or Tom Lacy at (309)671-3453.

Very truly yours,

Joseph E. Crowe  
District Engineer

*Roger E. Roche*

By: Roger Roche  
Acting Program Development Engineer

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We want your comments on the proposed Macomb Bypass. We encourage you to make your views a part of the official record. Written comments received within 10 days of this meeting will be included in the official record and will receive equal consideration along with the statements received at this meeting.

My comments are:

I am writing to express my concern about the proposed Macomb bypass as it runs north across Section 33 and 28 of Emmet Township.

I live at Stratford West in Sec. 33 of Emmet Township. I own 10 units in this condominium complex. The bypass as proposed will be located to the west of the condos and will have a negative effect on the value of my units. The closer the road runs to the units the less they will be worth.

Ample room is available just to the west of the proposed condos. I urge you to consider moving the road further west so it would be located further away from my units.

This relocation would also benefit my neighbor to the north, John Corson, whose property will also be affected by the close location of the proposed bypass to his home.

Sincerely,

*Joyce Norcross*

Joyce Norcross

Please print:

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Ms. Joyce Norcross

#10 Rye Court, Stratford West  
Macomb, IL 61455

Dear Ms. Norcross:

Thank you for your comments from the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School regarding the Macomb Bypass Study. A copy of your comments is included with this response. In your comments you mentioned concerns regarding the impact of the proposed bypass on the value of your 10 units of the condominium complex, Stratford West. As you indicated, the proposed bypass presented at the April 28, 1999 public informational meeting at Edison School showed the center of the proposed bypass passing approximately 1000 feet west of the western most units of Stratford West. The impact on property use, noise issues, property severances, agricultural impacts, access, along with environmental and engineering impacts are all factors which are considered in analyzing and determining a proposed alignment location.

Based on input from you and others since the April 28 meeting, the Department is studying in detail an alignment shift of approximately 450 feet to the west in the vicinity of Stratford West. This western alignment alternate attempts to minimize impacts to Stratford West and preserves most of John Corson's sheep operation, which you also expressed concern about in your comments. A western shift of the alignment completely off of John Corson's property is not desirable due to the location of Spring Creek and heavily wooded areas to the west.

In addition to studying moving the bypass approximately 450 feet to the west, the Department is studying lowering the proposed bypass profile in this area. A lower bypass profile places the alignment in a "cut" section, which attempts to minimize visual and noise impacts for the residents of Stratford West and others along 950E. A detailed noise study is currently underway.

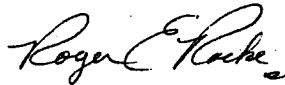
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Very truly yours,

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District Engineer

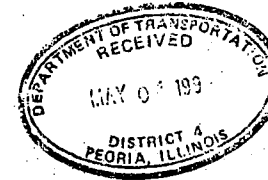


By: Roger Rocke  
Acting Program Development Engineer

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May 2, 1999



Mr. Lacy,

Thank you for answering my questions at the IDOT meeting in Macomb.

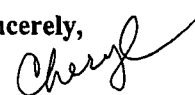
It seemed to me that the area you had marked as my property was incorrect. (I could be wrong about this, but it appeared that you didn't have me as the owner of the property to the west.) Here is a copy of the description of my land. Could you check this and make any corrections if need be. The property was sub-divided into building lots when I purchased it.

I have spoke with an attorney and will be represented by George Hennenfent of Roseville, if and when that time comes.

If possible I would like a photocopy of the area of the big map concerning my property, showing where the route, right-away, casement road, etc. would be. I would appreciate it if you could send me that.

Thanks!

Sincerely,



Cheryl Douglas  
529 N. Randolph  
Macomb, IL 61455